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REMARKS

In the Office Action mailed from the United States Patent and Trademark Office on March 31, 2004 the Examiner indicated that the presently-elected invention of Group I consisting of Claims 1-74, 220 and 221 drawn to an intraocular lens, required a further election of species.

The Examiner stated that in the event the Invention I or III is elected, the following further election of species would be necessary:

Species I Figure 2
Species II Figure 3A
Species III Figure 3B
Species IV Figure 3C

Thus, in response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants elect to prosecute Group I, and to elect species 3A. The election is made without traverse.

Conclusion

Should the Examiner have any remaining concerns which might prevent the prompt allowance of the application, the Examiner is respectfully invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number appearing below. Please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

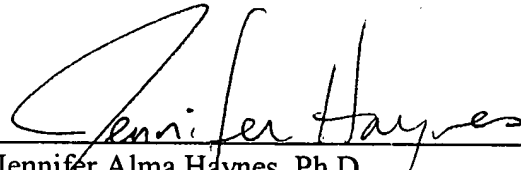
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